

Notable Mentions

Departures

~ 2013 REPORT ~

Happy Retirement Officer Hunter Philbrick



On January 31, 2013, the Milford Police Department bid “farewell” and “happy retirement” to Officer Hunter Philbrick.

Prior to his joining the Milford Police Department on September 24, 2001, Officer Philbrick had been a long-time member of the Mont Vernon Police Department.

While a member of the Milford Police Department, Hunter served a tour of duty in the Philippines with the US Marine Corps Reserve and, subsequently, two tours of duty in Iraq with the Army Reserve.

As with other officers to whom we have bid farewell in the past, it will be difficult to replace the knowledge, experience and dedication that Officer Philbrick brought to the Police Department and this community. He will be missed but we wish him well in his retirement. Semper Fi, Hunter

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Happy Retirement Leo Jasion

On July 19, 2013, we said “goodbye” and “happy retirement” to Leo Jasion. Leo was originally hired as a laborer for the Parks & Cemetery division of the Public Works Department on December 20, 2004 and subsequently became Town Hall Building Custodian on May 1, 2007 upon the retirement of the prior Building Custodian. A racecar enthusiast, Leo is looking forward to having the free time to attend more car races.

Leo was always willing to go above and beyond what was required of his job and his services and assistance will be missed by many.

We thank Leo for his years of service to the Town and to those of us at Town Hall and we wish him a long and happy retirement.



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Farewell to Officer Mark Pepler



On September 27, 2013, the Milford Police Department bid “farewell” to another of its officers – Mark Pepler who had been hired as the department’s first Juvenile Officer on October 10, 2006.

This had been Officer Pepler’s 2nd term with the Milford Police Department. Prior to being rehired as the Juvenile Officer, he had served as a Patrol Officer from July 1995 until September 2002.

A lover of cooler weather (he said that he did not like our NH summers), Mark informed us that he had purchased some land in North Dakota and planned to eventually retire there.

Officer Pepler did an outstanding job as the Department’s Juvenile Officer and it will be difficult to replace his knowledge, experience, and dedication to the youth of Milford and to this community. He will be missed but we wish him well in the next phase of his life.

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Farewell and Best of Luck to Nicole Banks



On Friday, December 6, 2013, after nine years in the Recreation Department, Nicole Banks left the employment of the Town of Milford to accept the position of Recreation Director with the Town of Westwood, Massachusetts. Nicole joined the Town of Milford as Recreation Director on November 17, 2004.

Nicole was instrumental in growing and expanding the Recreation programs for all ages – from toddlers to seniors. She was very involved in the expansion of services at Keyes Field and Kaley Park and left us with her legacy – the warming hut constructed at the skating rink at Shepard Park and the new Pavilion at Keyes Field.

Her easy-going nature, excellent skills, professionalism, boundless energy, and initiative were continuously acknowledged and appreciated by her fellow workers, boards and committee members, and members of the public whom she served so diligently.

We wish Nicole and her family the best of luck in their new environment as we understand they will be relocating to the Westwood, MA area. We are confident that she will bring the same enthusiasm and dedication to the recreation program in Westwood as she brought to the Town of Milford’s. She will be truly missed by all of us who had the opportunity of working with her.

Farewell & Good Luck to Sergeant Kevin Furlong

And last – but by no means least – on December 13, 2013, the Milford Police Department bid “farewell” to another of its members – Sergeant Kevin Furlong. Hired in March 2003 as a Patrol Officer, Kevin quickly worked his way up the ranks and became a Patrol Sergeant in April 2006 and then Sergeant of the Detective Unit On May 8, 2011. He left the Milford Police Department to become Police Chief for the Town of Mont Vernon.

*Normally a man who shunned publicity, Kevin was thrust into the limelight in October 2009 for his heroic efforts in the tragic Mont Vernon home invasion for which he provided mutual aid. He subsequently received the **Police Officer of the Year** award for his heroism from the **NH Police, Fire & EMS Foundation** which is one of the highest honors presented to officers within the State of New Hampshire by the Foundation and we congratulate Kevin on all of his efforts during this incident. He brought great honor to the Milford Police Department and to all of his training as a Town of Milford Police Officer.*



Sergeant Furlong was an exemplary Officer and Sergeant and it will be difficult to replace his knowledge, experience, and dedication to the Police Department in general, the Detective Unit in particular, and to the citizens of Milford. Mont Vernon’s gain is definitely Milford’s loss. We congratulate Kevin on this much-deserved promotion and wish him much success in this new chapter of his life. Good Luck, Kevin.

